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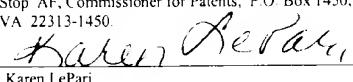
Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, enclosed are references relating to the above-identified application. For the convenience of the Examiner, these references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each is enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and their consideration be made of written record in the application file.

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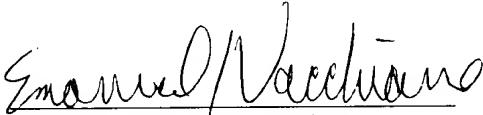
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